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ABSTRACT

The 16 chapters of this book offer innovative instructional techniques used to train public managers. It presents public management concepts along with such subtopics as organizational theory and ethics, research skills, program evaluation, financial management, computers and communication skills in public administration, comparative public administration, and contemporary issues in public administration. Titles and authors of the 16 chapters are as follows: "The Civic Education of Public Officials: The Founders and John Dewey" (Hank T. Edmondson III); "Lessons from Experience: Action Theory in Practice in the Classroom" (Anne-Marie Rizzo); "The Place of Whistleblowing in the MPA Curriculum" (Judith A. Truelson); "An Assessment of Research Skill-Building in MPA Curricula" (William L. Waugh, Jr. and others); "Research Use in Policy and Decision Settings: Closing the Gap" (Josephine M. LaPlante); "Teaching User-Oriented Program Evaluation" (Kathryn E. Newcomer); "Management Information Resources: Curricular Innovations for the 1990s" (Sharon L. Caudle); "Role Model Simulation and the Government Budgeting Process" (Peter J. Bergerson); "Public Financial Management Curriculum and Course Design: A Response to the National Task Force Report" (L. R. Jones); "The Lifeguard Approach to Teaching Policy Studies Educators about Computers" (Frank W. Connolly and Thomas J. Bergin); "Communication Skills and Outcome Assessment in Public Administration Education" (William L. Waugh, Jr. and Edith Kelley Manns); "The Pedagogical Implications of the Internationalization of Public Policy" (Curtis Ventriss); "Public-Sector Education and Training in Developing Countries" (John E. Kerrigan; Jeffrey S. Luke); "Practitioner-Teachers: Should They Teach?" (Arthur A. Felts); "The Experiential Experience: Promise, Problems, and Possibilities" (James S. Bowman); "Public Administration: The Political Science Perspective" (Rickert R. Althaus). In addition to references accompanying each chapter, a 26-item bibliography is presented. (LPT)